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Applicant: Stefan BOUISSOU                      Group Art Unit: 2834  
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For: **EDDY CURRENT RETARDER**

AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2002, entry of the following Amendment is respectfully requested.

Pursuant to the request for corrected drawings, a new page 1 of the drawings, showing FIGS. 1 and 2 is attached hereto.

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1-10 as follows:

1. (Amended) Eddy current electromagnetic retarder (1) for reducing rotation of a crankshaft of a vehicle engine (M) driven about an axis (X), said engine having a casing (3) wherein said casing comprises a frontal wall (3a) stretching substantially in a plane perpendicular to the axis (X) of the engine shaft, said engine shaft has one end directed toward the frontal wall (3a) of the casing (3) of the engine (M), the retarder (1) being mounted overhangingly on the frontal wall (3a) of the casing (3) of the engine (M) via connecting means (19), the retarder comprising a rotor part (2) which rotates coaxially with the engine shaft, a stator part (4; 4')